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Title- Obama believes in a regime that lies, arrests and spanks

Op-ed in liberal Folha de S.Paulo (6-23) by Joco Coutinho states: "....So far, the U.S. President persists in his deafening silence [about the situation in Iran]....But there are words that must be said so that thousands of people that are risking their lives know that the world is supporting them."

Title- The virtual and the (real) blood [In Iran]

Op-ed in liberal Folha de S.Paulo (6-23) by Clovis Rossi notes: "...Today it is possible to physically close a country, but it will be virtually opened [thanks to the new technologies]. By good fortune."

Title- Bric, Allegro ma non troppo

Op-ed in center-right O Estado de S. Paulo (6-23) by former Ambassador to the U.S. Rubens Barbosa says: "....There are few common interests between BRIC countries [Brail, Russia, India and China]....[the group] shoud be seen as a new player in the international scne, but it will take time to find the exact tone for its statements and te [best] way to insert itself in the world....Its voice, though, begins tobe heard, as evidenced by the international medi coverage. [Nevertheless] it does not seem adequate to consider the BRIC as a crucial part of Brazil's Foreign Policy or to proclaim the death of th G7/G8, because it [the G7/G8] will remain alivefor a while...."